

Giving Honor to Sacred People

Exodus 20:12

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- *Honoring parents is rooted in the core of my identity with God.*
- *Honoring parents shows honor to God.*
- *Honoring parents will take different forms in different seasons.*

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- *Children, obey their instruction.*
- *Young adults, respect and cooperate with their wishes.*
- *Adults, affirm the role they've had in your life and watch over them in their old age.*

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*Then you will live a long,
full life in the land the LORD
has given you.*

Parents Share a Demanding Task

Malachi 2:15

Didn't the Lord make you one with your wife? In body and spirit you are his. And what does he want? Godly children from your union.

Parents Share a Demanding Task

- *Who am I? (Deut. 6:20–25)*
- *What am I? (Gen. 1:27–28)*
- *How am I? (1 Thess. 2:7–8)*
- *How should I live? (1 Thess. 2:11–12)*

Parents and Children Are “Cracked Pots”

“It is in families where we are broken and it is in families where we are healed.”

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- *Humility*
- *Growth*
- *Grace*
- *Hope*

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“We are not raising robots; we are shepherding image bearers of the Creator God who live with freedom of choice, their own wills, and a personal responsibility of their own. It seems to me that we tend to take too much credit for kids who turn out good, and too much blame for kids who turn out bad ... None of us can mess up so badly that our children somehow extend beyond the reach of God's mercy.”

Gary Thomas, *Sacred Parenting*, 43